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In re Application of:

Kenneth W. Marr

Serial No.: 10/807,703

Filed: March 23, 2004

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
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FROM WAFER LEVEL BURN-IN

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Examiner: A. Stevenson

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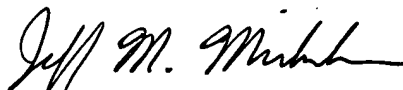
Also, enclosed is an Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) and Request to Make Previously Cited References of Record (11 pages, plus attached copy of 3/23/04 IDS, Form

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PTO Notices Relating to Maintenance Fees (2 pages).

Applicant understands that no additional fees are required. However, if the Office
determines that any comparison fees or other additional fees are required, the Commissioner is
authorized to charge any such fees to TraskBritt Deposit Account No. 20-1469. A copy of this
Transmittal Letter is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed September 17, 2004. The purpose of this communication is to set forth Applicants' comments, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.104(e), on the Examiner's Statement of Allowable Subject Matter accompanying the Notice of Allowance.

The Examiner indicates:

While the prior art teaches the generating of a wafer level burn-in testing involving BIST and storing the current number of failures, but fails to teach the repeating the cycle for at least one additional cycle of burn-in testing and reading each time stamp and the current number of failures associated with the time stamp for each at least one additional cycle.

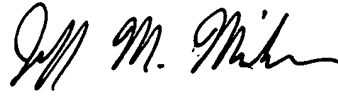
Applicants concur with the reasons as stated by the Examiner insofar as they comprise a summary, and are exemplary and not limiting. However, the scope of the claims is based on the actual language of the claims and equivalents thereof, and not on a paraphrase or summary of the claim language.

The Independent claims as allowed recite features and methodology in addition to, and in different language than, those described in the Statements of Allowable Subject Matter. Furthermore, the dependent claims recite elements in addition to those of the independent claims, which are also not reflected in the Statements of Allowable Subject Matter. Such additional features and elements, in combination with those of the independent claims from which each claim depends, provide additional reasons for patentability. Accordingly, the scope of the claims must be determined from the literal language of each as a whole, as well as all equivalents thereof.

Therefore, to the extent that the Examiner's reasons for allowance as stated are not relevant to, or wholly encompassing of, a particular claim, independent or dependent, Applicants assume that (pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.104(e)) the Examiner has determined that the record of the prosecution as a whole of the application makes clear the reasons for allowing those claims. Further, it appears, pursuant to M.P.E.P. 1302.14, that the Examiner's Statements of Allowable Subject Matter are not intended to encompass all of the reasons for allowance.

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